

**GLAHW**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**March 14, 2010**

Members present:

Michael Cieslak

Rob and Peggy Christie

Tom Sawyer

Tracy Stapleton

MontiLee Stormer

Adam and Jennifer Gifford (skype)

Seth Paul

Meeting called to order by Adam at 1:15pm

**Old Business**

Treasurer's Report

- Received \$100 in dues and \$60 has gone out for contributors to the Ghostlight Magazine. Total in account now: \$710.38. Most of that will go towards the ComicCon tables and purchasing anthologies to sell at conventions this year.

Horror Themed Cookbook:

- Shutterfly has no volume discount and Lulu has high minimum order for no real savings. Robert Christie will ask a publishing friend of his about pricing for a spiral bound cookbook.

Website Directory:

- There was not enough interest in the directory so it was decided to scrap the idea.

Traveling Writer's Seminar Update:

- There was no new information to update.

### Writer's Retreat

- Michael is still working on possible dates for this summer for the second annual GLAHW writer's retreat.

### Motor City ComicCon:

- Jennifer will be purchasing two tables for the MCCC. One table is for GLAHW. The other will be for members who wish to showcase their work. Once the tables have been bought, Jennifer will contact the group. Anyone interested in chipping in for the cost of the 2<sup>nd</sup> table can reimburse the group, through Jennifer, at that time.
- Additional Signage: Michael Cieslak and Robert Christie are working on ideas for extra displays for the con. Jennifer will contact con people to get specifics on dimensions or any restrictions they might have.

### Meeting Day/Time Change:

- The majority of people who contacted Peggy Lee voted to keep the monthly meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month at 1:00pm. Most likely, each meeting will take place at the Southfield Library barring any unforeseen problems or scheduling issues.

### Halloween Party Location

- Robert contacted The Mill Street bar in Pontiac. No firm answer yet as the owners are weighing the profitability of keeping the bar open just for our party. Any other ideas should for locations should be sent to MontiLee at [events@greatlakeshorror.com](mailto:events@greatlakeshorror.com)

### New Business

#### New Member:

- Seth Paul heard about us at the Motor City ComicCon and has been signed up at our Forum for a while, as well as posting! He decided to come to our meeting and check us out in person. Thanks for hanging with us, Seth!

#### Anthology:

- The editor we've been using for our anthologies, Bob Strauss, has been having computer and family issues and has not been able to start the editing on the current anthology. Instead of waiting until the end of March, when he would be available, the group voted to find another editor. Peggy Christie will send out an

email to the entire membership to ask anyone who knows an editor to get in touch with Adam by the end of the week.

(NOTE: Have sent out emails, no responses. Heard from Bob Strauss that he can edit the stories the week of March 29 so we will have him do so.)

#### GLAHW Officer Elections

- It was decided that people should start brainstorming on ideas for elections of officers for 2011. We will start discussing these at the next meeting in April.

#### GLAHW Awards

- Inspired by the Oscars, the members of GLAHW would like to create their own awards for best in horror (movies, books, television, etc.). We will start working on ideas for the awards and when voting is necessary, the forum will be used. More information, as we create it, will be given to members. This was one way to have some more fun in the group!

#### Promoting GLAHW for Non-Writers

- It was discussed to work on ideas for promoting GLAHW for the non-writing demographic. Besides the (fun) awards, we would like to have more appearances at movie houses (i.e., Redford Theater or Main Art) – possible sponsor a movie or midnight showing. If you have any fun and interesting ideas, please email Adam Gifford at [president@grealakeshorror.com](mailto:president@grealakeshorror.com)

Meeting was adjourned at 2:00pm. Next meeting will be Sunday, April 11, 2010, 1:00pm. Location, date, time will be confirmed one week before.